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1. ON BASIS HMG POSITION OUTLINED BY ACTING BHC BRIND EMB
REFTEL, USG WOULD STILL BE AGREEABLE REPRESENTING BRITISH
INTERESTS IN UGANDA, IF BREAK IN RELATIONS OCCURS. IN
RESPONDING POSITIVELY TO BRIND, CHARGE SHOULD RE- EMPHASIZE
OUR PRACTICAL LIMITATIONS IN TAKING ON THIS RESPONSIBILITY
SHOULD IT BECOME NECESSARY, I. E. REDUCTIONS IN EMBASSY
STAFF AND FACT THAT OUR OWN PROBLEMS IN UGANDA MAKE IT
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QUESTIONABLE HOW EFFECTIVE WE CAN BE ON MATTERS GOING
BEYOND THOSE OF A ROUTINE NATURE, SUCH AS ANY APPROACHES
WHICH MIGHT HAVE TO BE TAKEN UP WITH GOU.

2. INASMUCH AS BRIND DID NOT MENTION IT, WE ASSUME EARLIER
BHC REPORT THAT BRITISH WOULD ATTEMPT HAVE UGANDA EXPELLED
FROM COMMONWEALTH IS INCORRECT OR EXAGGERATED. WHILE
KAMPALA SHOULD NOT RAISE MATTER WITH BRIND, WE WOULD
APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION WHICH EMBASSY LONDON MIGHT PICK
UP ON WHETHER BRITISH ARE CONTEMPLATING ACTION OF THIS KIND
AS WELL AS FCO VIEWS ON POSSIBLE UGANDAN- INITIATED BREAK

IN RELATIONS FOR OTHER REASONS. PORTER

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